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PLACEMENTS UP 1%

For the week ending November 18, 2006, growers placed 11.1 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 1.3% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (10.9 mill) decreased 0.6% from comparable week in 2005. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.5 million, a decrease of 2.7% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.3 million for the week ending November 11, 2006 compared to 11.4 million slaughtered during the same week in 2005.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
09/23/2006	13,832	13,642	11,498	11,346	11,498	11,391
09/30/2006	13,894	13,741	11,335	11,248	11,338	11,377
10/07/2006	13,629	13,740	10,919	10,695	10,919	10,757
10/14/2006	13,835	13,240	11,695	11,300	11,697	11,315
10/21/2006	13,693	13,145	11,764	11,382	11,764	11,645
10/28/2006	13,026	13,022	11,232	11,517	11,234	11,627
11/04/2006	13,907	13,655	11,584	11,280	11,584	11,384
11/11/2006	13,596	13,164	11,478	10,905	11,480	10,925
11/18/2006	13,852	13,478	10,939	10,871	10,939	11,081

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

* Revised.

NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

	WEEK ENDING 11/25/2006	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	61.68	61.67	69.60	60.36
12-City Composite 2/	66.26	65.99	65.57	67.40

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.